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Wrong Way Driver on Hoan Bridge Crashes Head-on into Another Vehicle

Milwaukee, **WI** – Early this morning at approximately 1:30am, Milwaukee County Sheriff's deputies responded to northbound I-794 just south of Michigan Avenue for a two car head-on collision.

An initial investigation revealed that a 30-year-old female driver was driving a 1996 white Dodge Avenger southbound in the northbound lanes on I-794 when she struck a 1992 Acura head-on. Due to the impact, both drivers were extricated from their vehicles by the Milwaukee Fire Department and transported to a local hospital for serious injuries.

The 55-year-old male driver of the Acura is from Hartland, Wisconsin.

Alcohol is believed to be a contributing factor in this crash. When the deputy approached the female driver, he smelled a strong odor of alcohol on her breath and her speech was slurred. The female driver submitted to a legal blood draw in order to determine her blood alcohol level. She was arrested for *Operating While Intoxicated-First* and felony *Injury by Intoxicated Use of a Motor Vehicle*.

All northbound lanes were closed for approximately two hours.

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